

Greetings! The rain is back, and so is the Weather and Climate News, an electronic newsletter from the Department of Water Resources. You are receiving Weather and Climate News because you previously subscribed to Bill Mork's Weather\_list. His letters are missed by many of you since his retirement.

Our small weather and climate group, composed of Elissa Lynn, Senior Meteorologist; Mike Anderson, State Climatologist; and Matt Winston, State Meteorologist will send out topical information through this newsletter. The format may be a bit different than it was in the past. We will send information about storms, water supply, or climate issues from time to time through the season.

For example, this welcome rainy period helped bump up our seasonal numbers, which had been lagging due to the record-dry January. These 7-day precipitation totals were logged:

Saddle Camp (Tehama Co., el. 3,850')	3.68"
Bucks Lake (Plumas Co., el. 5,750')	11.11"
Pacific House (Eldorado Co., el. 3,440')	5.24"
Prairie City (western Sacramento Co., el. 280')	3.48"
Venado (Sonoma Co., el. 1,260')	12.48"
Telegraph Hill (Calaveras Co., el. 3,730')	5.74"
Heavenly Ski Resort	51" snow
Alpine Meadows Ski Resort	44-48" snow

The Feather River Basin received 8.7" of precipitation on average, from 2/7 to 2/13. Currently, our 8-station Northern Sierra precipitation index for the season is at 22.9", or 75% of average to date. Daily snow water equivalents have increased 4% statewide since Feb. 1st, to 47% percent of normal for the season, with the greatest improvement coming in the Central Sierra.

We hope to have our next email out within a couple of weeks. Until they begin, please visit our websites to find helpful weather and climate information:

State meteorologist:

<http://www.weather.water.ca.gov/>

State climatologist:

<http://www.climate.water.ca.gov/>

You can also access several other discussions and precipitation bulletins through these links:

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/forecasts.php>

Scroll down to Other Products. Record Event Reports, Public Information Statements, and Short Term forecasts may be of interest for current storm and weather conditions.

<http://www.weather.water.ca.gov/hydro/>

Click on National Weather Service CNRFC Hydrometeorological Discussion for a more technical explanation of upcoming weather and hydrologic conditions.

<http://www.publicaffairs.water.ca.gov/newsreleases/>

This links to the Department of Water Resources' Public Affairs News Information page, including their monthly public summaries on the Snow Survey.

Sincerely,

Elissa, Matt and Mike

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